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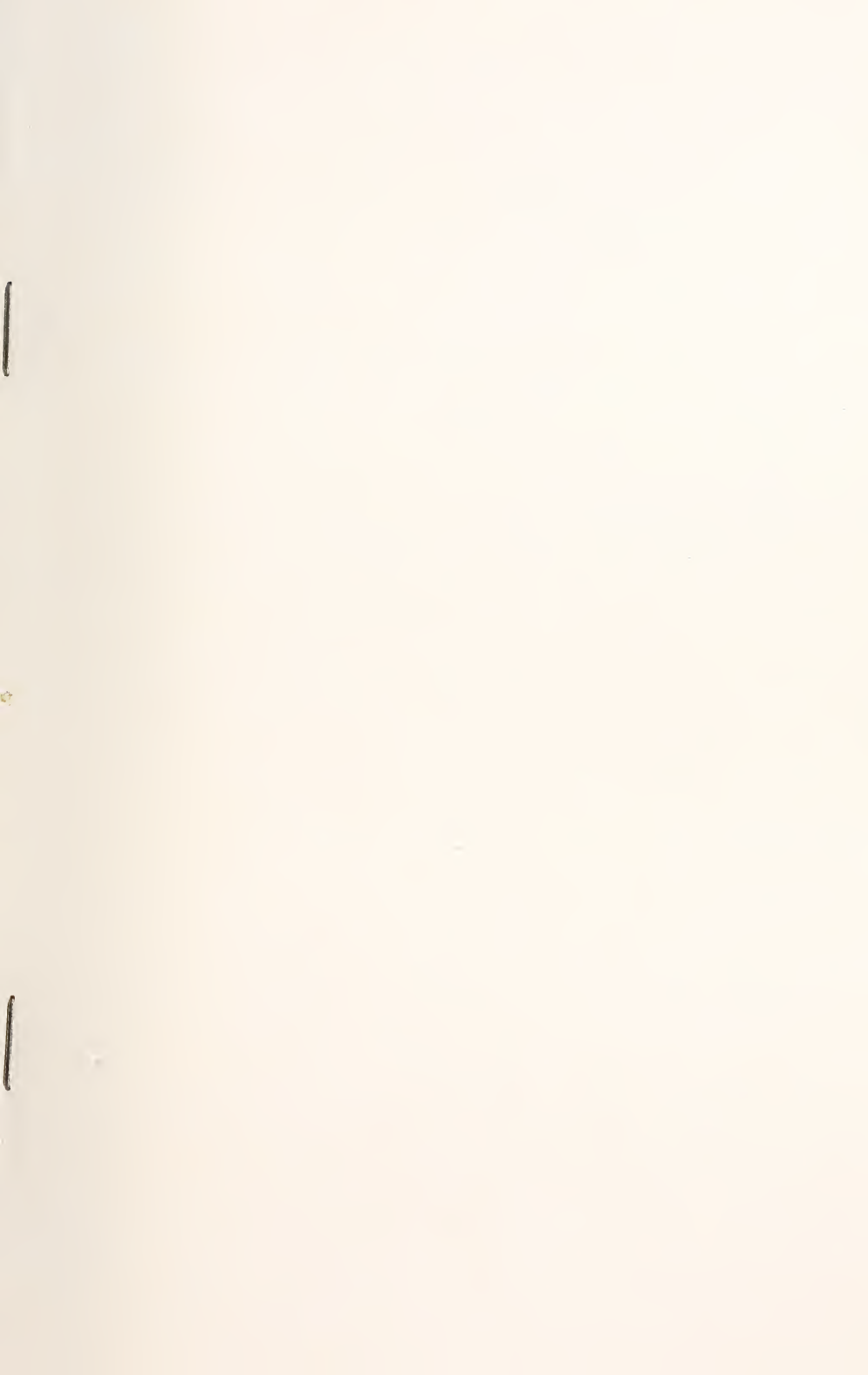
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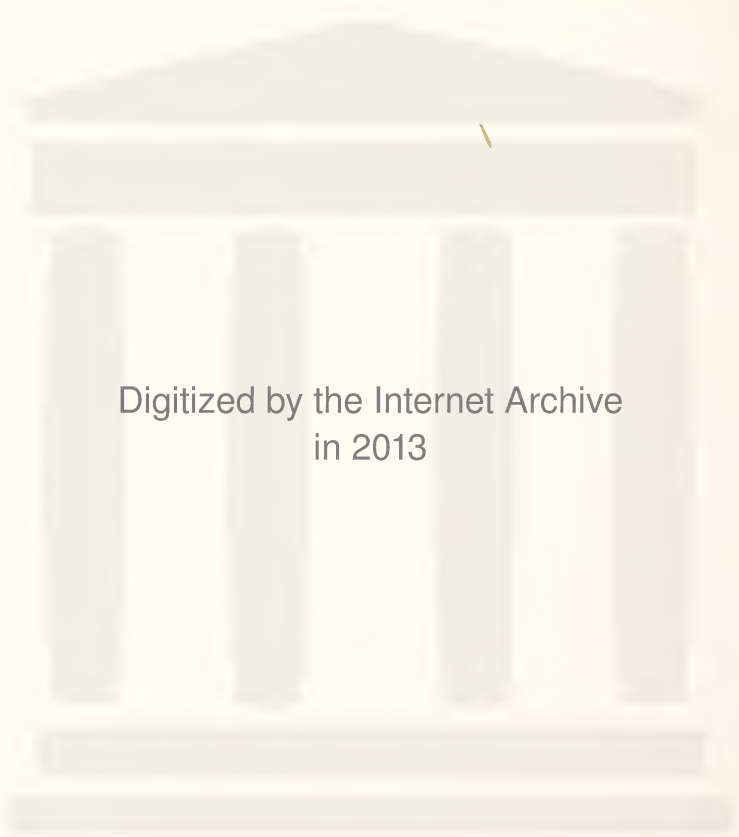
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MRS. J. W. HAMOR	Girls' Supervisor
MISS NELIE ROBINSON	Assistant Girls' Supervisor

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

To the Honorable State Board of Education:

I herewith submit for your consideration a report on the affairs of the Montana School for the Deaf and Blind, including the Department for Backward children, for the year ending July 1, 1921.

ATTENDANCE

Our register shows a steady, healthy increase, in the Departments for the Deaf and the Blind, while in the Department for Backward Persons the number is limited only by our capacity. During the year we have had 23 blind, 65 deaf, and 134 backward persons. We expect our Deaf Department to be increased by at least twelve more and know of but one who will leave, this one being a child whose parents will move away.

CONVENTIONS

During the summer of 1920, I attended two conventions—one a conference of Superintendents and Teachers of the Blind, held at the State School in Baltimore, Md. and the other, a convention of Superintendents, Principals and Teachers of the Deaf, held at the Mt. Airy School, at Mt. Airy, Pa. Both were very interesting and instructive. One of the most interesting parts of the blind convention was a visit to Evergreen, the reconstruction camp for Blinded Soldiers, and another to a state workshop for the Blind, where men and women who have lost their sight are living happily, and are making their living. Apparently wonders are being worked at Evergreen, where men, deprived of sight are learning the thing that appeals to each one most. One is learning massaging; another bottle washing; another to run a store, and so on. If it works out as it seems to be doing, the world will have taken a long step forward.

HEALTH

The health of our big family has been very good with the exception of a run of measles. Practically all of the younger children in the Departments for the Deaf and the Blind contracted the disease and so fast did they come down that our hospital would not hold them and we had to convert two dormitories into "wards"—aside from this, however—which left no serious results-- the children have been very well. This we feel is partially due to the promptness with which we call the doctor when any illness appears and to the promptness with which he responds.

FACULTY CHANGES

A few new faces have appeared in our school. In the Blind Department, Miss Bessie Sorrells takes the place of Miss N. McCarty, who resigned owing to trouble with her eyes. In the Deaf Department, Mr. W. E. Taylor takes the place of Mr. H. E. Thompson as head teacher. He is a man having had fine training and broad experience. Mrs. W. E. Taylor also a teacher of experience and good training, takes the place of Miss Stella Nordyke, who resigned to be married. Miss Leora Carver, a woman who has taught very

successfully for years, takes the place of Miss Moffett Bell.

In the Department for Backward Children, Miss Roethke takes the place of Miss Taylor who resigned to be married, Miss Lund takes the place of Miss Earl, and Miss Adkins, the place of Miss Reynolds.

Our staff for the coming year lines up well and we look for a good session ahead.

DISCIPLINE

Moving pictures furnish a means for most of our discipline. To deny one of our pupils a picture show is much more effective than any form of punishment that I know of. Our greatest difficulty is with the Feeble-Minded running away. When we get a boy, who is really a subject for the Insane Asylum or the Industrial School as we often do, it is hard to hold them under our mild discipline. However, we usually apprehend them easily or they return of their own accord. Two ran away this summer, and stole a saddle horse. This was too much and one was sent to the asylum and one to the Industrial School.

FIRE DRILLS

The fire drills continue to be a source of pleasure as well as of instruction, since we use the Kirker-Bender Fire Escapes. The pupils consider these slides a source of great amusement and count fire drill as a "lark."

REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS

The building for low grade Feeble-Minded has finally been completed and is occupied by a class of partially helpless and hopeless children. In some cases the new environment and training may make a change for the better; but for the most part all we can do for these children is to make them comfortable, physically.

Two sewing machines have been purchased for the school building.

The root cellar with machine house over it has been finished and are ready for occupancy.

New screens were put on the new building and in other places.

A new water heater is installed on the deaf and blind side in the hope of making our hot water system a circulating one and in this way saving fuel and water.

The water tank has been painted with graphite and oil, inside and out, so will be in good shape for another two or three years.

A three and a half ton truck has been leased from the State Highway Commission and is doing great service. Where it used to take us almost half a day to haul a ton from the Great Northern depot, we now can haul four tons in about three hours, including loading.

The buildings have all been put in repair for another year's work, walls, window casings, tunnels, fire escapes and fire plugs painted where ever needed, some fences repaired, the power plant and laundry put into first class shape and dozens of other small jobs attended to that are too numerous to mention.

SCHOOL WORK**(Department for the Deaf)**

Last year was one of the most successful for several terms. Everyone was working in harmony and naturally the work prospered. In the literary work we did a little more oral work than ever and our classification was better though there is still room for improvement, as our school grows. This year we will have a decided increase in the deaf and blind departments.

(Department for the Blind)

For some years we have had largely small pupils in this department but now that they are growing we hope to make a little better showing especially in our music.

(Department for Backward Children.)

Here our work is progressing very well though we need more buildings not only to take care of the crying need, but to so segregate the low from the high grades that we can do better work with the high grade children and make the low grade happier or at least more comfortable.

RANCH

The ranch is prospering, though we seriously need more land which is capable of growing alfalfa. At present much of our feed has to be bought. If we had more good land we could, with our same force of hired help and of twenty-four feeble-minded boys, put up two hundred tons of hay and this would run us nicely. We have as fine a dairy herd as there is in Montana and we hope to build it up into even a better one.

The value of the land and property belonging to the school may be summed up as follows:

Lands, buildings and improvements \$401,837.57

Building A (Main)	\$45,000.00
Building B (Addition to A)	32,900.00
Building C (Manual Training)	24,500.00
Building D (Power House and Laundry)	9,000.00
Building E (Barn and Sheds)	1,500.00
Building G (Girls' Hall)	42,500.00
Building O (Old Carpenter Shop)	300.00
Building H (Hospital)	15,000.00
Building I (Dairy Barn)	3,200.00
*Building J (Old Barn)	
*Building R (Ranch House)	
*Building S (New Horse Barn)	
*Building T (Refrigerating Plant)	
*Building U (Slaughter House)	
420 Acres of Land—Ranch	18,453.00
Spur	2,690.24
Addition to Ranch House	\$10,026.30
Building F. (F. M. Building)	87,230.77
New Bridge, Boulder river	8,138.24
Root Cellar and Garage (Not complete)	1,564.77
Dormitory F. M.	7,720.65

Furniture and Equipment:

A. Building	\$5,630.00
B. Building	4,525.00

*Value of these buildings included in 420 acres of land.

Above are the estimates of Messrs. Milligan and Menzemer.

C. Building	1,875.00
D. Building	1,337.50
E. Building	187.50
F. Building	10,000.00
G. Building	1,225.00
J. Building	75.00
R. Building	262.50
Farm Machinery and Sheds.....	515.00
Water Works System.....	6,000.00
Water Works at Ranch.....	2,800.00
Laundry	5,761.05
Coal Scales	827.73
Concrete Mixer	290.00
Separator Ranch	187.32
Motor—Ranch	125.00
Pump—Power House	490.00

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Appropriation	\$114,957.00
Deposits for Children	784.65
Investments	413,335.21
Appropriation—Land	10,000.00
Claims Pending	3,792.45

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Oakland Auto	\$ 1,080.95
Bridge	8,138.24
Cash in Bank	27.45
Cash in Office	5,863.82
Concrete Mixer	290.00
Dormitory—Ranch	10,026.30
Dormitory—F. M. No. 2	57,720.65
Dry Goods	97.85
Equipment	31,918.77
Freight, Express, Travel & Telephone	209.80
Fuel and Light	156.40
Food Supplies	250.38
Household, Supplies and Furniture	34.56
Insurance	1,873.74
Land and Buildings	281,417.90
Live Stock	7,125.00
Motor Ranch	126.30
Pump Power House	490.00
Repairs ad Replacements	26.23
Root Cellar and Garage	1,564.77
School and Industrial Supplies	74.38
Separator	187.32
Coal Scales	827.73
Salaries and Wages	2,942.85
Spur	2,690.24
State Treasurer—Special Fund	2,750.66
State Treasurer	114,957.00
State Treasurer—Land	10,000.00
	\$ 542,869.29 \$ 542,869.29

Thanking the board for its kind consideration and generous help, I am

Very respectfully,

H. J. MENZEMER, President.



State Ranch Dormitory



State Ranch—Horse Barn

RANCH REPORT

To H. J. Menzemer, President:

I herewith submit my report of condition on the ranch for the period beginning August 1, 1920.

We have raised 116 pigs, 693 chickens and have produced the following:

Butter	55½ lbs.	Chickens Raised	693
Sour Krout	4½ bbl.	Currants	140 lbs.
Cabbage	2692 lbs.	Peas	134 lbs.
Chicken	330 lbs.	Beans	109 lbs.
Veal	1005 lbs.	Young Onions	155 bu.
Buttermilk	314 gal.	Cauliflower	282 lbs.
Hay	18 tons	Beets	118 lbs.
Pork	3554 lbs.	Lettuce	75 heads
Grain	992 bu.	Carrots	129 lbs.
Colts Raised	3	Rutabagos	300 lbs.
Hogs Sold	9730 lbs.	Potatoes	47088 lbs.
Cows Sold	7	Apples	320 bu.
Beef	5070 lbs.	Eggs	739 doz.

We have also sold seven cows for \$495.00 and four horses for \$400.00.

We have made a crossing across our spur track in order to build a road from the ranch house to the field and on to the school buildings where the milk and produce are delivered. Filled in for the new barn a matter of several hundred yards. Hauled sand and gravel to complete the root cellar building and unloaded all the coal—probably 2,500 tons—and delivered the range coal to all the kitchens. Have supplied part of the beef, practically all of the pork and poultry and all of the milk and part of the butter. We have brought up the flow of milk from 296 lbs. to 760 lbs. per day with practically the same number of milk cows.

Twenty acres of old meadow has been broken and is ready to produce a crop next year though the gophers and cut worms destroyed much of the crop this year.

During the year we bought a three and half ton truck, a new manure spreader and a new wagon. We are remodeling the cow barn and when finished it will accomodate fifty cows and the loft will hold about fifty loads of hay.

We are still in need of additional land if the ranch is to produce anything like it's own stock feed. We are also in need of a new calf barn and hog house, quite badly. With these additions our ranch would be quite complete.

Respectfully submitted,

W. S. McKELLIP, Foreman.

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DENTIST'S REPORT

To H. J. Menzemer, President:

I have the honor to submit the following report for the dental work during the past year.

I put in 27 fillings, extracted 29 teeth, and 5 root. Examinations 27.

Besides this many minor treatments and jobs of cleaning were done.

Respectfully submitted,

C. M. EDDY, Dentist.

OCULIST'S AND AURIST'S REPORT

To H. J. Menzemer, President:

During the past year our work in the school has gone along very nicely with the assistance of the nurse and the teachers, as well as the local physicians. There have been no acute cases of throat trouble, and only a few cases of conjunctivitis. These have responded readily to treatment. On each visit cases requiring local treatment would be prescribed for, and under the careful attention of the nurse would invariably have cleared up by the next visit.

In an endeavor to find out if there was any hereditary taint which might be a factor in the cases of the backward children, thirty-five bloods were taken from these children through the kindness of Dr. J. B. Freund of Butte, and sent to the State Laboratory at Helena, where they were examined. Only one showed any active process in the blood. This is gratifying, as it means that they are not a menace to any children who might not be similarly affected. It may be possible that an examination of the spinal fluid would reveal active foci.

There have been seventy-four treatments, seven refractions, fifteen tonsil operations, twenty-one adenoid operations, one cataract operation, and one ear drum operation, together with the thirty-five blood tests, since the last report.

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. A. DONOVAN, M. D.

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PHYSICIAN'S REPORT

To H. J. Menzemer, President:

I have the honor to submit the following report for the year ending November 1, 1920.

There were forty cases admitted to the hospital for treatment, during the school year, but all were from minor ailments.

There were no deaths during the year.

I wish to express my appreciation of the splendid services of the nurse for taking care of the cases admitted to hospital, and to Mrs. Bronson and Mrs. Falch for their good work for the care and attention to those ailing in the Backward Department.

Respectfully submitted,

I. A. LEIGHTON, Physician.

REPORT OF MUSIC DEPARTMENT

To H. J. Menzemer, President:

I have the honor to submit the following report for the year, 1920 to 1921.

Fifteen pupils are studying piano, nine voice, one xylophone, and one drums.

Piano—Our course in piano study grades from the most elementary instruction to quite advanced work. Pupils may begin piano study upon leaving the kindergarten department and unless for some good reason it is found necessary to drop them, may continue during their entire school course. For the beginner as well as the more advanced student the object of the Piano Department is not to teach the mere manipulation of the keyboard, but to develop the ability to give an intelligent interpretation. With the child as well as the more advanced student we shall strive to develop those qualities which constitute true musicianship. A course of instruction has been carefully prepared which embraces the standard works of the past as well as the more modern compositions. When the pupil reaches a certain required standard of advanced work in the piano or voice course, he is permitted to give a recital which partakes of the nature of a graduating recital although no diploma is given.

Vocal—No branch of musical learning is of more practical value than the art of singing. Private voice lessons are taken up after the pupil has had three or four years training in the music course similar to that taught in the public schools. The physical requirement for successful vocal work will be of first consideration. The course in voice culture includes the proper placement of tone, correct breathing, effectual expression and the art of singing with such songs, studies, and exercises as are considered necessary for the individual, also songs ranging from the very simple ones up to the classics, solo selections from the oratorios and operas. A special course in the control and development of the breathing muscles as preparatory to singing and public speaking is taught.

Two periods per week are devoted to Junior Chorus to study circle songs, gesture songs, nature songs and songs of the Child World.

All students who are able to qualify are urged to become members of the Senior Chorus. The time is given entirely to the study of standard oratorios, operas, great choral works and the best of short choruses.

Once each month we have a class recital and a member of the faculty usually acts as critic on these occasions with a view to overcoming the difficulties of public performance usually experienced by students.

Ensemble Work—One of the greatest satisfactions derived from a broad musical education is to be able to participate in ensemble work. In addition to the regular solo work our students are given an opportunity to take part in trios, quarettos, quintettes, etc.

Our boys Glee Club, though still in its infancy takes an important part in the school "sings." It promotes in every way possible school spirit and is a very helpful feature among the student activities.

The Victrola concerts, in musical appreciation, given once each week, are especially enjoyable.

All students are required to take the Revised Braille Notation of Music. The music in Braille notation in our library is of the very highest order, including etudes and pieces from many of the great writers for the piano, so that our pupils are given only the very best grade of music.

Respectfully submitted,

BESSIE M. SORRELLS, Director.

PRINTING OFFICE REPORT

To H. J. Menzemer, President:

I have the honor to herewith submit the following report for the year, November, 1919 to July 1, 1921.

The following jobs were turned out in the printing office:

Affidavit Blanks, printed both sides	2,000
Application Cards	115
Application Cards, printed	215
Copies of the 25th Annual Report, 25 pages and covers and pictures for each and binding	525
Copies of the "Rocky Mountain Leader" 8 to 20 pages with covers, from Nov. 1919 to June, 1921	5,345
Copies of the "Montana Trainer," three column, four pages, from Nov. 1919 to May, 1921	2,100
Copies of Guide Book (1920—1921), 20 pages and covers for each and binding	125
Copies of the Rules of School, 20 pages and covers for each and binding	265
Copies of the Constitutions and By-Laws for the P. H. Brown Literary Society, 12 pages and covers for each and binding	160
Application Blanks, Admission of Backward Children, 4 pages and folded, ...	500
Application Blanks, Admission of Deaf and Blind, ...	100
Contract Blanks, ...	200
Contract and Acceptance Blanks, printed and per- forated, ...	200
Conpous for Library	2,000
Invitations	85
Daily Attendance Cards	100
Health Certificate Blanks	109
Labeled Envelopes, ...	15,500
Laundry Lists	5,000
Letter Heads	5,000
Library Loan Slips	2,000
Night Watch Report Blanks	1,000
Menu Blanks, printed both sides and punched	1,000
Notices	25
Order Blanks, Original, printed and perforated	1,000
Duplicate, printed	1,000
and made into 25 pads.	
Posters, ...	525
Printed pictures on Postcards	1,125
Printed "Post Card" on cards	1,000
Postal Cards, printed form for the Office	1,918
Programs	1,700
Copies of Programme, Cloting Exercises, 16 pages and covers for each and binding	700
Receipt Blanks, printed, perforated and punched	1,700
Report Cards	1,550
Requisition Slips	4,300
Prize Ribbons, printed	60
Pupil's Record Cards	75
Tags, cut and punched	300
Telephone Order Slips	500
Vouchers, Original, printed and perforated	2,500
Duplicate	2,500
Copies of Programs, Banquet at Boulder Hot Springs given by the P. H. Brown Literary Society	75

The printing department did work for the school during the year of 1919—1921 to the amount of about \$1,500.00. It consisted of the various kinds of printed forms necessary to conduct the business of the school and supplies for the literary department.

The printing department besides serving to teach some of the boys a useful trade means the saving of a considerable sum of money each year, as the supplies produced here would cost the school more than twice as much if for a commercial printing office.

We are now publishing each month the "**Rocky Mountain Leader**" eight to twenty pages and a four pages publication for the Department for Backward Children, called "**The Montana Trainer.**"

We will do even more job work during 1920—1921 than was done last year, if we get a linotype.

Respectfully submitted,

E. V. KEMP, Printer.

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CARPENTER SHOP REPORT

To H. J. Menzemer, President:

As instructor in the Industrial Department, I hereby have the honor to present my annual report of the Carpenter shop for the year ending 1919—1921.

Built storm house over back entrance to the Main Building.

Put nine new shades in the Children's dining room.

Put new roofings on the root-cellar adjoining the kitchen.

Put new steel ceilings on five rooms of the Main Building.

Put new fir floor in the Boys' play room of the Main Building.

REPAIRS

We have also made repairs which are too numerous to mention. We are still working on the root-cellar and ceilings in upper floor of the garage.

PAINTING

Steel ceilings, walls and ceilings of the Main Building and Industrial Building, to the extent about 10,000 square feet, 3 tunnels, 1 shed, 1 porch, 6 swings 10 benches and 6 light poles.

Retarred on 4 roofs and also painted all the window sashes and frames of the garage.

Varnishing

All banisters, window sills, desks and tables in the Main Building, the same in the Girls' Hall and Gymnasium Building.

NEW ARTICLES MADE

- 1 Office Revolving Chair
- 1 Mission Clock Stand
- 1 Pedestal
- 1 Glass Cup Rack
- 3 Doors for garage
- 1 Grain Chute for ranch
- 2 Lockers for dormitories

- 1 Grain Bin
- 1 Tongue for binder
- 1 Door for shed
- 1 Blue Print Case
- 2 Long Benches with 20 compartments for shoes and overshoes

Respectfully submitted,

Fred J. LOW, Instructor.

SEWING ROOM REPORT

From November 18, 1919 to June 11, 1920.

ARTICLES MADE

59 Sheets	4 Gertrude petticoats
2 Face towels	3 Wool dresses
12 Bath towels	5 Night dresses
3 Pillow-cases	3 Corest covers
6 Aprons for dining room	9 Prs. Bloomers
1 Couch cover	1 Prs. Gymnasium bloomers
2 Pillows covers	4 Petticoats
16 Gingham dresses	4 Cook caps
11 Gingham aprons	4 Washington's birthday costumes
	2 Smocks

FANCY ARTICLES MADE

3 Pine pillows	1 Tatting box
7 Scarfs	1 Crepe de chine collar
4 Fancy work bags	1 Baby's pillow
1 Sets knives, fork, spoon case	7 Center pieces
2 Guest towels	3 Bath towels & Wash clothes—
3 Kindergarten aprons	Crocheted edges
1 Card table cover	2 Pillow tops
2 Rubber cases	1 Laundry bag
1 Towel for glasses	1 Pin cushion cover
2 Camisole	2 Crocheted caps
1 Fancy apron	

ALTERATIONS

90 Dresses faced	1 Seater
10 Dresses attend	8 Petticoats
6 Dresses skirts	10 Aprons faced
6 Bed spreads	

AVERAGE MENDING DONE

90 Prs. stockings and socks
125 Pieces of other clothing girls and boys

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HAMMOCK AND CHAIR CANING REPORT

To H. J. Menzemer, President:

I have the honor to submit the following report for the year 1919-1920.

Last year, I had only two boys, Patsy Callahan and Henry Russell. They canned five chairs and hade two hammocks.

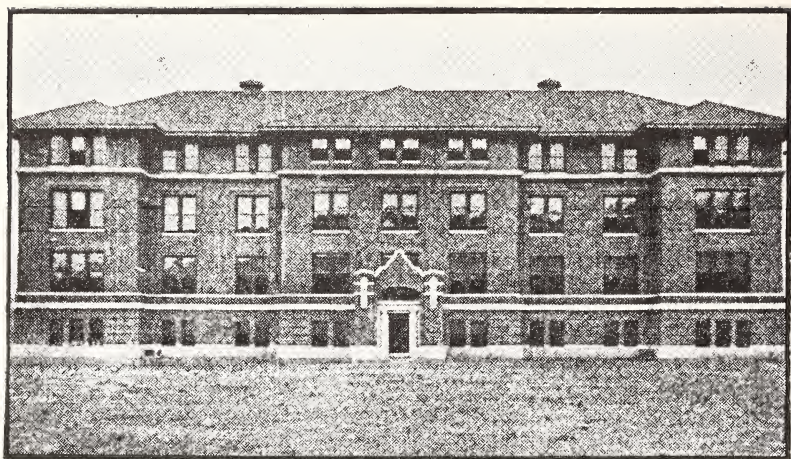
This fall, I have had three big boys, Patsy Callahan, Robert Gohn and John Selon. They have made three hammocks and have a 24ft. tennis net nearing completion.

John Sullivan has had Herman Spoelder working in the broom department. I do not know how many he has made.

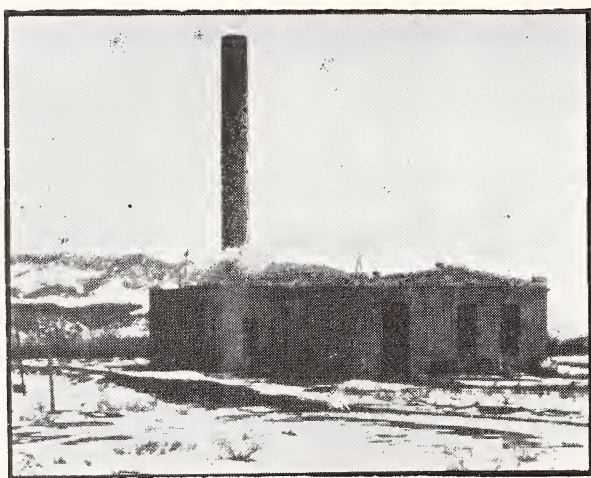
So, my count for the year, is 5 hammocks, 5 chairs caned, and one tennis net.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH ADAMS MORRIS.



School Building—Feeble Minded



Power House and Laundry

ENGINEER'S REPORT

To H. J. Menzemer, President:

The work done by the Power Department since my report consists of a general overhauling of the plant. We renewed all water pipes hot and cold in the boiler room. Renewed boiler feed pipes with extra heavy brass pipes. Gave feed water heater a thoro cleaning. Scaled all boilers put in new furnace arches bricked up boiler fronts, repaired bridge walls, repaired water columns, overhauled stokers babbited all stoker and blower shafting.

The Vapor System of the new building connected into the vacuum returns of the Feeble-minded Building gives us lots of trouble. It is nearly impossible to get a vacuum without a large cold water spray on the air pump. This cold spray is what we are trying to avoid here, to keep the scale forming new water out of the boilers. I would recommend a thermal seal on each radiator and bleeder. We are using a boiler compound now but not long enough to notice any results. We painted engine room walls and floor, boiler fronts, all pipes and apparatus and took care of other items to numerous to mention.

Respectfully submitted,

V. J. McKINNON, Chief Engineer.

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REPORT FROM DEPARTMENT FOR BACKWARD CHILDREN

To H. J. Menzemer, President:

I have the honor to submit here with the twenty-sixth annual report for the Montana School for Backward Children covering the general operations of the department.

The enrollment at the close of this period shows an increase over that at the beginning. Due to the completion and occupation of the new cottage for a group of children, who are not susceptible of special training in the school department; also, a number of younger children, who are unfortunate in the affliction of a low order of mentality, and, in many instances helpless and of rather repulsive habits.

The children of this division vary in age, but, are veritable babies. They are infantile in intellect, and, will always remain so. Some of the older ones of this group have been so trained, previously, that they are helpers in and about the building.

The general health of all the children has been very good, with no epidemic. The house physician, the oculist, the aurist and the dentist have each given professional treatment and aid to all who were in need of the same.

Children of the school division are given academic instruction—using similar methods to those employed in teaching normal children. Processes, however, are simplified—study periods are shortened and the progress much slower. By patience and continued efforts they improve. As soon as training is suspended they begin to retrograde. The classes are small, so that each child, virtually, receives special attention. I may, truthfully, state there is a wide difference between **Education**, and the training given to feeble-minded children. These latter can not take an **education**. Some of the best and most industrious ones among our manual workers, can not learn to count and thus can not enumerate the beautiful and useful articles made by their trained hands and deft fingers. Our chief methods are along manual and industrial lines.

Such children in the training classes and kindergarten as show ability to take up primary work have been given a trial and are advanced when qualified. In conjunction with primary instruction, sketching, water-color, pencil work, designing, light and shade has been taught.

Several children from the advanced class have been given instruction upon the violin and piano. They each have made creditable advancement. Vocal music is taught daily by chorus at our morning assembly. Our trained choir furnishes music for the Sunday School. Solos and duets are creditably rendered.

The class play and cantata given by the children at the closing of the school term was well rendered. The speaking parts and the musical numbers were done in a manner approaching perfection.

Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's and all holidays have each been celebrated with appropriate exercises.

Reed and raffia baskets have been made by one class. This class has furnished waste baskets for every department. All the articles made in the various departments and by the manual class have found ready sale. Visitors buy many as souvenirs.

Rug weaving has been established and a goodly number of beautiful rugs have been made and sold. The receipts contributing largely to our amusement fund.

To this class of children, rug weaving offers great possibilities. Limp fingers and wandering eyes are trained. The preparation for the filling for the rugs furnishes work for varying degrees of mentality. A low class can tear rags and many who have been able to learn a few stitches in sewing can join the pieces. Children who are not susceptible to academic training can operate the loom. A number of Navajo rugs, woven on large frames have been made by lower grade children.

A beautiful bed-spread was made by member of the sewing class. Yards of hand made lace of beautiful patterns has been made. The embroidery equals in quality and quantity that of previous years.

Sloyd and wood work classes consist of boys from the grades who show an aptness for this line of training. A beautiful boudoir table, several pretty cabinets, two desk tables, besides taborettes, one chest and the usual number of small pieces made by beginners make up the articles turned out by the members of this class.

Drills on table manners are given regularly at all meals served in the children's dining room.

Our custodial department comprises the adult boys, many of whom have considerable capacity for gross labor. They are helpers in the various departments, industries and activities of the Institution.

Under proper supervision all our able bodied children are willing workers, but have very little volition, and without careful direction their efforts are usually barren of results.

There have been numerous changes in our corps of workers, but these have not been detrimental to the service of the institution. Among those who have left the service have been some of the most capable and reliable. But years of experience teaches us that changes in those who minister directly to this class of unfortunate children, are not always to be considered as a cause for regret.

In fine, I desire to thank our many friends, who contributed so freely to the happiness of our children. I am deeply obligated to all my co-workers for their loyalty to the service and for their never tiring efforts in working for the welfare of all concerned.

Respectfully submitted,
THOMAS A. SMITH, Director.

APPENDIX

ARTICLES MADE IN THE SEWING ROOM

Girls' Skirts	13
Girls' Dresses	3

MRS. PEARL BRONSON, Girls' Matron.

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT

Handkerchief Cases with cross and fancy stitches	12
Rugs	5

MISS FLORENCE LOVELL, Teacher.

MANUAL TRAINING CLASS AND ARTS AND CRAFTS CLASS

Loom Made Rugs	35
Hand made Rugs, knitted and crocheted	12
Raffia Baskets	75
Reed Baskets	50

MISS ANNA VANDERBECK, Teacher.

ARTICLES MADE IN SEWING CLASS

Night Gowns	8
Pairs of Bloomers	6
Princess Slip	1
Under Skirts	
Kitchen Aprons	14
Dress Aprons	30
Dresses	10

MISS LOUSIE ROETHKE, Teacher

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Regulations Concerning Admission and Retention of Deaf and Blind Pupils, etc.

SCHOOL FOR DEAF AND BLIND

1. The Montana School for the Deaf and the Blind is open to all the deaf and the blind children of the state, between the ages of 6 and 21 who are too deaf or blind to be educated in the common schools.

2. No child who is idiotic, or afflicted with an offensive or contagious disease, or who is an invalid so confirmed as to prevent study will be received.

3. The institution is in no sense an asylum, nor a place of refuge for those who cannot see or hear. It is not an almshouse, an orphan's home or a hospital. It is conducted strictly as an educational institution and is a part of the common school system of the state wherein those who are deaf or blind may receive an education as a matter of right and not of charity

4. Application for the admission of pupils must be made upon regular blanks of the institution which will be furnished upon request. All questions upon these blanks must be answered in full.

5. No child will be admitted unless he brings a certificate from a regular physician, stating that there has been no communicable disease in the neighborhood from which the child comes, and that he has not been exposed to such disease, within a period of fourteen (14) days. This is to protect us from epidemics.

6. No child should be brought to school as a pupil until the proper application has been filed with, and acted upon by the President and due notice sent by him to the applicant. In the case of indigent pupils, dependent upon county aid, an order of court to that effect as provided by the law (Section 1170) must be filed with the President before the admission of such pupils.

Section 1170 reads as follows:—"In all cases where a person to be sent to said school is too poor to pay for necessary clothing and transportation, the Judge of the District Court of the district where such person resides upon application of any relative or friend, or any officer of the county where said person resides, shall, if he deem the person a proper subject, make an order to that effect, which shall be certified by the Clerk of the Court to the President of said school, who should then provide the necessary clothing and transportation at the expense of the county, and upon his rendering his proper accounts therefor quarter annually, the County Commissioners shall allow and pay the same out of the county treasury."

7. The institution will provide for each pupil regularly admitted, board, lodging, laundry, medical attendance, instruction and school supplies, but cannot pay traveling expenses to and from the school or for any clothing. Each pupil upon entering school should be supplied with a sufficient quantity of suitable clothing to last until the close of the school term. The pupil's name should be clearly marked upon each article of clothing, as otherwise, there is liability of loss.

8. Parents must furnish postage in all cases and may hear from their children in proportion to the amount furnished. The session lasts about forty weeks. Parents sending us fifty (50 cents) may hear from their children once a week, ten letters and twenty-five postals. Those who do not furnish postage will hear once a month when the monthly report of the pupils' standing in school is sent home, except in case of illness when a report is made daily until the child is out of danger.

9. A contingent fee of \$10 should be deposited in every case to purchase such articles as clothing, shoes, etc., likely to be needed during the session. A strict account will be kept of all expenditures and an itemized statement made at close of the school year. Clothing and shoes may be sent from home or purchased by us here; but nothing will be furnished without the cash beforehand except in the case of county pupils.

10. The annual session of school begins the second Wednesday in September and closes the second Wednesday in June. No extended holiday will be given at Christmas, and pupils are not allowed to go home unless there are excellent reasons and conditions justifying special permission. Promptness of attendance at the beginning of the session is of the greatest importance.

11. The President shall have power at any time to discharge a pupil from the institution for inability to receive instruction from sickness or other cause or for continued misconduct and disobedience.

12. The institution is non-sectarian, but thoroughly moral, and religious instruction will be given, especially on the Sabbath the nature of it being so general, that it is accepted by all churches and creeds.

13. All business letters of inquiry in regard to pupils or their concerns, or in regard to new pupils must be addressed to the President and not to subordinates, otherwise no attention will be paid to such letters. All money should be sent by express money order or registered letter directly to the President who will acknowledge receipt of same.

14. In the industrial department after a pupil has been assigned a trade to learn such pupil cannot change to another trade unless in the judgment of the President the change would be to the best interests of the pupil.

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MONTANA TRAINING SCHOOL FOR BACKWARD CHILDREN

This school opened Nov. 10, 1895 in the town of Boulder. It is under the same management as the School for the Deaf and the Blind but occupies separate buildings of its own.

Its object is to furnish SPECIAL means of improvement to that portion of our youth who are so deficient in mind, or have such marked peculiarities and eccentricities of intellect as to deprive them of the benefits of other educational institutions and ordinary methods of instruction.

The education proposed will not only include the simple elements of instruction taught in common schools, where that is possible but will embrace a course of training in the more practical matters of every-day life, the cultivation of habits of cleanliness, propriety, self-reliance and the development and enlargement of a capacity for useful work. To promote these objects, pupils will receive such physical education, and such moral and hygienic treatment as their peculiar and varied conditions demand.

Mental imbecility depends upon some abnormal or imperfectly developed condition of the physical system, a condition in which the nervous organization is especially defective—preventing the harmonious and natural and natural development of the mental powers.

The feeble-minded are generally feeble in body as well as mind. They are wanting in muscular and nervous power, the gait and voluntary movements

are generally awkward and slow, and the special senses undeveloped or inactive. Physical training and physical development will, therefore, be essential to permanent mental improvement, and hence the important of gymnastic and calisthenic exercise in treatment. The reciprocal influence of the body over the mind, and the mind over the body must be carefully studied and applied. The dormant energies of the body must be roused to action by every possible means. The wayward muscles are to be taught to move in obedience to the dim spark of will that may exist. The will must be strengthened and developed. The very feeble power of attention must be cultivated and increased by the most active means. The affections must be nursed, the special senses trained and educated, vicious habits are to be corrected, and the idea of obedience and moral obligation must be planted and nourished.

Some children who are merely backward and remain undeveloped from being misunderstood, neglected or abused, can, by special means, be brought out and reclaimed. Others can be arrested on their downward course, and made orderly, obedience, affectionate, docile and industrious; and nearly all can be materially improved in their general condition and habits. But in order to secure the realization of these blessings to this afflicted class, they must have the special care, treatment and instruction which cannot be obtained in the family at home, or private medical practice of by any of the ordinary methods of instruction, but only in some well-directed institution, arranged, furnished and organized for the accomplishment of these objects.

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REGULATIONS CONCERNING ADMISSION TO THE MONTANA TRAINING SCHOOL FOR FEEBLE-MINDED PERSONS

Montana Training School for Feeble-Minded persons is open to all Feeble-minded minors and adults.

Application for admission may be made to any District Court or to a judge thereof, by either parent of the subject; by any person entitled to its legal custody; by a superintendent of a County Hospital; by any officer of the State Bureau of Child and Animal Protection; by the applicant in person; or by the superintendent of any of the state institutions. After proper hearing, the judge or said district court will then issue an order of commitment in accordance with Chapter 102 of the Session Laws of the Sixteenth Legislative Assembly.

The Institution will provide for each person so committed, board, room, laundry, medical attention, instruction, and school supplies.

No inmate may be removed from the institution, permanently or temporarily, except upon a written order from the Superintendent, or upon an order from any District Court of the State, the costs of such court action to be borne by the party bringing the action.

Letters and packages for the pupils should be addressed in care "H. J. Menzemer, President."

All other communications address to

H. J. MENZEMER, President,

Montana School for the Deaf and the Blind,

Boulder, Montana.

Pupils Enrolled

From November 1, 1919 to August 1, 1921.

DEAF DEPARTMENT

NAME	CITY	CAUSE
Lillian, Aho	Wise River	Unknown
Amann, Frank	Livingston	Meningitis
Baker, Lorane	Great Falls	Unknown
Barker, Henry	Butte	Congenital
Barrick, Margaret	Bozeman	Fall
Baumgartner, Robert	Columbus	Adenoids
Blackman, Thelma	Bozeman	Congenital
Bennett, Emil	Maudlow	Fall
Biavaschy, Ida	Butte	Congenital
Bragg, Maxine	Shepherd	Nerves
Breeding, Irene	Choteau	Scarlet Fever
Bubnash, Mary	Great Falls	Fall
Burns, Oliver	Great Falls	Unknown
Burns, William	Great Falls	Measles
Chinadle, Adelia	Hingham	Unknown
Chinadle, Helen	Hingham	Unknown
Christie, Ethel	Bozeman	Mastoid
Davies, Elsie	Butte (Walkerville)	Congenital
Drinville, George	Neihart	Scarlet Fever
Farthing, Nettie	Shawmut	Abscess
Frazier, Mona	Missoula	Congenital
Gilliam, William	Pony	Unknown
Goldizen, Velma	Kalispell	Congenital
Herbold, Fulton	Benchland	Congenital
Herbold Walter	Benchland	Congenital
Hill Katie	Butte	Unknown
Howard, Lewis	Stevensville	Unknown
Johnson, Helen	Tarkio	Scarlet Fever
Kupfer, Edna	Bonner	Congenital
Lien, Alvin	Brockton	Unknown
Maine, Mary	Livingston	Meningitis
Mattson, Lilly	Helena	LaGrippe
Molyneaux, Myrtle	Chinook	Unknown
McPherson, Bessie	Centerville	Congenital
Nagel, John	Huntley	Unknown
Nickerson, Fay	Willow Creek	Scarlet Fever
Nickerson, Evelyn	Willow Creek	Scarlet Fever
Park, Helen	Missoula	Unknown
Pearson, Hazel	Superior	Fall
Phelps, Esabelle	Big Timber	Unknown
Posposil, Rudolph	Roy	Unknown
Ole, Oblu	Missoula	Unknown
Parr, Montana	Basin	Meningitis
Patrick, Chester	Jefferson Island	Whooping Cough
Post Floyd	Castle Rock	Unknown
Pouliot, Lillian	Bozeman	Unknown
Redmond, Faye	Choteau	Cleft Palate
Remington, Robert	Dixon	Adenoids
Renner, Adolph	Box Elder	Congenital
Sayers, Mary Ann	Medicine Lake	Whooping Cough
Schoenberg, Harry	Billings	Unknown
Schoenberg, Maurice	Billings	Unknown

Sieler, Edwin	Plevna	Scarlet Fever
Sloan, Marion	Helena	Congenital
Smidt, Gertude	Columbus	Throat Trouble
Thomas, Arthur	Troy	Congenital
Frank, Roberta	Bozeman	Neuralgia
Vandecar, Delos	Corbin	Unknown
Whinnery, Nola	Great Falls	Mastoid
Wilhelm, Edith	Loomont	Meningitis
Wilson, Clarence	Gebo, Wyoming	Injury
Wood, Leylan	Helena	Whooping Cough
Yaeger, May	Glengarry	Meningitis
Yaeger, William	Glengarry	Meningitis

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BLIND DEPARTMENT

NAME	CITY	COUNTY
Callahan, Patsy	Missoula	Missoula
Ferguson, Harold	Livingston	Park
Gohn, Robert	Virginia City	Madison
Goodwin, Bert	Flaxville	Daniels
Heffern, Frank	Butte	Silver Bow
Jones, Viva	Miles City	Custer
Jones, Pearl	Miles City	Custer
Kaufman, Chas.	Baker	Fallon
Mikkelson, Andy	Alberton	Missoula
Mitchell, Audrey	Coffee Creek	Fergus
Oppel, Sophia	Helena	Lewis and Clark
Neilsen, Louise	Howard	Rosebud
Roberts, Jacob	Gibson	Sweet Grass
Swanson, Hilda	Farmington	Teton
Spoelder, Herman	Bole	Teton
Selon, John	Corwin Spring	Park
Shields, Hugh	Laurel	Yellowstone
Watt, Ernest	Bozeman	Gallatin

DEPARTMENT FOR BACKWARD CHILDREN

NAME	CITY	COUNTY
Albrect, Elizabeth	Big Fork	Flathead
Barker, Leslie	Townsend	Broadwater
Barrick, Alfred	Great Falls	Cascade
Barrick, Alpha	Great Falls	Cascade
Baumgartner, Werner	Billings	Yellowstone
Bennett, Cora	Helena	Lewis and Clark
Black, Warren	Stanford	Judith Gap
Black, Wilber	East Helena	Lewis and Clark
Bollinger, Duane	Blaine	Madsion
Bryant, Hazel	Terry	Prairie
Caddy, Samuel	Butte	Silver Bow
Canfield, Dotha	Browning	Glacier
Corey, Wilda	Dodson	Philips
Castleman, Billie	Butte	Silver Bow
Cheurlein, Velma	Butte	Silver Bow
Colenso, Albert	Butte	Silver Bow
Cole, Laurne	Big Sandy	Choteau
Cramer, Henrieta	Custer	Yellowstone
Cummings, Francis	Hardin	Carbon
Culbertson, Donald	Austin	Powell
Cooper, Paul	Missoula	Missoula
Cummings, Meagher	Chinook	Blaine
Curley, Samuel	St. Ignacious	Missoula
Daugherty, Lola	Livingston	Park
Denny, Robert	Butte	Silver Bow
Dechamps, Lewis	Missoula	Missoula
DeBruin, William	Fort Benton	Choteau
Duffield, Merle	Billings	Yellowstone
Douglas, Madaline	Missoula	Richland
Elkins, Pearl	Fairview	Missoula
Eberhart, Charles	Lewistown	Fergus
Engbretson, Hilda	Ramsy	Silver Bow
Fugle, Marie	Great Falls	Cascade
Gunther, Earl	Camas Hot Springs	Sanders
Hankinson, Lester	Willow Creek	Gallatin
Hart, Florence	Butte	Silver Bow
Henderson, William	Butte	Silver Bow
Henion, Gethel	Perma	Sanders
Higbie, Thomas	Red Lodge	Carbon
Holland, John	Butte	Silver Bow
Hynds, Harold	Jordan	Garfield
Jenkins, Charles	Three Forks	Gallatin
Johnson, Clarence	Polson	Flathead
Kelly, Hazel	Ekalaka	Hill
Kelly, Andrew	Havre	Choteau
Kennedy, Howard	Plains	Sanders
Kihm, Raymond	Billings	Yellowstone
Kimball, Hoarce	Woodville	Jefferson
Knight, Emmalina	Great Falls	Cascade
Kunkel, Annie	Billings	Yellowstone
Koprivica, Zorke	Butte	Silver Bow
Lasater, Margret	Livingston	Park
Latinen, Tiny	Butte	Silver Bow
Lane, Helen	Lavina	Golden Valley
Leggo, William	Helena	Lewis and Clark
Leistikio, John	Livingston	Park
Leistikio, Otto	Livingston	Park

Lenhart, Arthur	Helena	Lewis and Clark
Lynds, Roy	Hysham	Treasure
Marshall, Twila	Helena	Lewis and Clark
Matlock, Ruth	Great Falls	Cascade
McKevitt, Edward	Kalispell	Flathead
Meiers, Ardath	Whitefish	Flathead
Mechler, Eleanor	Galata	Toole
Meloy, Earl	Anaconda	Deer Lodge
Mikkelson, Rasmus	Virginia City	Madison
Miller, Viloa	Creston	Flathead
Mitchell, Fern	Butte	Silver Bow
Mitchell, Walter	Helena	Lewis and Clark
Mizer, Roy	Helena	Lewis and Clark
Myhre, Lillian	Helena	Lewis and Clark
Nadeau, Stella	Choteau	Teton
Nasby, Sophia	Hamblin	McCone
Nelson, George	Missoula	Missoula
O'Leary, Ralph	Butte	Silver Bow
Olmstead, Henry	Galata	Toole
Olson, Otto	Big Timber	Sweet Grass
Ormsby, Florence	Helena	Lewis and Clark
Osborne, Lloyd	Enid	Richland
Pagel, Vern Rex	Williams	Pondera
Rey, Ernest	Helena	Lewis and Clark
Rice, Bessie	Logan	Gallatin
Riley, George	Livingston	Park
Rosenfelder, Ernest	Twin Bridges	Madison
Ryggs, Herbert	Butte	Silver Bow
Reynolds, Robert	Billings	Yellowstone
Saley, Annie	Great Falls	Cascade
Schauers, Godfrey	Kalispell	Flathead
Sievers, Mary	Kalispell	Flathead
Skinner, Myrtle	Malta	Philips
Smiley, Ottis	Plains	Sanders
Smith, Lola	Butte	Silver Bow
Sousen, Mary	Shelby	Toole
Sprague, Lola	Box Elder	Hill
Sprague, Anabel	Box Elder	Hill
Sprague, Godfrey	Box Elder	Hill
Stephens, Verne	Cutbank	Teton
Straight, Esther	Twin Bridges	Madison
Flory, William	Broadus	Powder River
Slater, Ruth	Guildford	Hill
Skary, Myrtle	Missoula	Missoula
Sundt, John	Athens	Flathead
Tnaschek, Adolph	Fromberg	Carbon
Templeman, Edith	Kalispell	Flathead
Theline, Astred	Butte	Silver Bow
Trinder, Thomas	Poplar	Roosevelt
Urevig, Margaret	Ingomar	Rosebud
VanWagnen, Etta	Eureka	Yellowstone
Walters, William	Miles City	Custer
Weber, Irene	Butte	Silver Bow
West, Leo	Springdale	Park
Wicks, Willie	Butte	Silver Bow
Wilson, Robert	Whitefish	Flathead
Whitcomb, Effie	Helena	Lewis and Clark
Wolcott, Mabel	Missoula	Missoula
Wolfe, DeMarkus	Livingston	Park
William, Joseph	Butte	Silver Bow
Wart, Harold	Thompson Falls	Sanders
Young, Miles	Terry	Prairie
Zwieg, Dorothy	Huntley	Yellowstone

